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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the time to submit a response to the Office Action mailed February 11, 2002, be extended by three months to August 12, 2002.. The \$460.00 fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required, including for extension of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-63098-1/RFT/NBC).

Respectfully submitted.

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